

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend Example 2 as shown below:

EXAMPLE 2*Bromine, Caustic (50% Sodium Hydroxide) and Sodium Sulfamate at High pH*

A 500 mL flask was charged with 26.0g of sulfamic acid and 50 g water. To this slurry was added 35.0 g of 50% sodium hydroxide. As the acid was converted to the sodium salt, it dissolved into the aqueous solution more readily. Bromine (37.0 g) and 50% sodium hydroxide (30.0 g) were co-fed into the solution at a rate which maintained the pH between 11 and 13. After all of the bromine and caustic had been added, the contents were transferred to an amber bottle for storage. Starch-iodine titration of a sample of the solution indicated that it had an active bromine concentration of 19.6%. Analysis of the bromine solution after 6 weeks of storage at ambient temperature indicated that it still contained more than 95% of its active bromine content.